

**MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD OF INDIANA  
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH  
402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET  
ROOM W064  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204**

**MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2008**

Stephen Huddleston, J.D., President called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-22.5.

Members Present:	Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Consumer Member, President Navin Barot, M.D., Vice -President Bharat Barai, M.D. Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D. Donald Vennekotter, M.D. Robert Allen, M.D.
Member Absent:	Thomas Akre, D.O., Secretary
Staff Present:	Michael Rinebold, Board Director Professional Licensing Agency Jody Edens, Assistant Board Director Professional Licensing Agency James Schmidt, Deputy Attorney General Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted to adopt the agenda and addendum as amended.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Robert Allen, M.D.

Holt/Allen, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

The Board voted to adopt the minutes of the April 24, 2008 meeting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Robert Allen, M.D.

Holt/Vennekotter, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

## **PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

### **INITIAL/RENEWAL APPLICANTS**

The following did not appear for his scheduled personal appearance.

#### **Shadi Ayyas, M.D., Initial application**

The following appeared before the full Board for their scheduled personal appearance.

**Robert Brian Barber, M.D.** – Dr. Barber appeared before the Board concerning his medical school education information listed on his initial application and was not represented by counsel. Dr. Barber attended Saba University from 1998-1999. He then transferred and graduated from St. Matthews. He graduated May 2002 six (6) months prior to St. Matthews being officially placed on the Board's disapproved school list.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Dr. Barber submitted additional information for the Board to consider when reviewing his application for a waiver of his medical school as meeting the "exceptional circumstances" requirement.

After discussion the Board moved to GRANT the WAIVER and issue Dr. Barber a full license based upon the following:

- Currently practices medicine in Sturgis, Michigan and through his employment by the hospital has worked one (1) year under supervision provided by the hospital. Dr. Barber presented to the Board letters of recommendation from interested parties and supervisors.
- Has completed three (3) years and four (4) months of residency training at Mayo
- Has been presented an opportunity to work for Mishawaka Orthopedics & Sports Medicine and provide services to the rural area which Dr. Barber described as being underserved and is located on the Indiana medically underserved areas and populations map from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as of May 2008.
- Is now commissioned in the Air Force and stationed at Grissom Air Force Base.
- Submitted a letter from Dr. Ware stating that he is being deployed to Iraq and has used four (4) different avenues to obtain a partner or someone to handle his practice while he is deployed and has not received any applicants. Dr. Barber is the only applicant that has shown an interest and is willing to take on this position should he obtain an Indiana license. This would eliminate the need to close Dr. Ware's office leaving approximately 500 patients without monthly follow-up care and his staff unemployed.

Barai/Barot, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**James O. Johnson, M.D.** – Dr. Johnson appeared before the Board for review of his one year of practice and was represented by Brian Betner.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Dr. Johnson attended and graduated from Saba Medical School. He completed all his rotations in the U.S. Saba is on Indiana's questionable Foreign Medical School list.

At the May 24, 2007 Board meeting Dr. Johnson was approved for a limited permit for a one year period (July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>) for a fellowship at St. Vincent's Hospital and was approved for a controlled substance registration based upon the following exceptional qualifications:

- Well published general surgeon
- 7 years residency
- Strong recommendation letters
- Board eligible
- Taught Medical school lectures
- Taught Physician Assistant school lecture
- Will introduce new surgical techniques to rural and underserved areas

Dr. Johnson has successfully completed the fellowship at St. Vincent's Hospital and requests a full unrestricted Indiana license to practice in Peru, Indiana.

After discussion the Board moved to GRANT full licensure for Dr. Johnson based upon the above facts.

Holt/Barai, 5/0/1, with Dr. Barot abstaining  
Motion carries

**Theodore Hall, M.D.** – Dr. Hall appeared before the Board concerning a positive response on his initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

After discussion the Board moved to TABLE this application to give Dr. Hall the opportunity to put together a supervision plan.

Barai/Vennekotter, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**John Hammerstein, M.D.** – Dr. Hammerstein appeared before the Board regarding a positive response on his initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Hammerstein's application for licensure.

Barai/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Karen Friday, M.D.** – Dr. Friday appeared before the Board concerning a positive response on her initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

The Board received a letter from the Physician' Health Foundation of Louisiana stating she entered their program December 22, 2003 and has successfully completed the program. It also states they are in full support of her request for licensure in Indiana.

Dr. Friday also submitted a current addictionology evaluation by a Board certified Addictionologist. The report supported Dr. Friday's intentions to practice medicine.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Friday's application for licensure.

Allen/Barai, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Edward James, M.D.** – Dr. James appeared before the Board concerning positive responses on his initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. James' application for licensure.

Allen/Barot, 5/0/0

Motion carries

**Surender Dhiman, M.D.** – Dr. Dhiman appeared before the Board concerning positive responses on his initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Dr. Dhiman signed a Consent Order with the Illinois Medical Board. He received a Reprimand and a \$1,000 fine. It was reported to the NPDB as "Respondent failed to properly document patient instructions in medical records regarding post-operative care."

No action was taken by the Virginia Medical Board.

His is Board certified in Orthopedic Surgery and was recertified in 2003.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Dhiman's application for licensure.

Barot/Vennekotter, 5/0/0  
Motion carries

**Sukhwinder Sandhu, M.D.** – Dr. Sandhu appeared before the Board concerning a positive response on his initial application and was not represented by counsel.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Dr. Sandhu joined Florida's Professionals Resource Network in December 2001. They submitted a letter stating "Dr. Sandhu was in complete compliance and voluntarily extended his contract until June 2007. He was successfully released from the contract when he moved to Massachusetts."

He submitted a current addictionology evaluation by a Board certified Addictionologist to the Board. The report was favorable.

His sobriety date is September 25, 2000.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Sandhu's application for licensure.

Barai/Allen, 5/0/0  
Motion carries

### **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**Lee S. Yosowitz, M.D., License No. 01027906A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0009**

Respondent did not appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Thomas McGee, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge, with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

Dr. Yosowitz has had action in Arizona; letter of reprimand for unprofessional conduct. He also committed renewal fraud in Indiana by answering No on his renewal application.

An agreement between the Respondent and the Attorney General's Office was presented to the Board. The agreement included a LETTER OF REPRIMAND and a FINE of \$250.00.

After having reviewed the agreement and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to DENY the agreement. The Board requests that the Respondent appear in person for questions from the Board.

Barai/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Dwayne Wilson, M.D., License No. 01062905A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0010**

Respondent did not appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Final Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

After having considered the evidence presented and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to ISSUE a NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEFAULT.

Barai/Vennekotter, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**William E. Tiemann, M.D., 01058063A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0008**

Respondent did appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

An agreement between the Respondent and the Attorney General's Office was presented to the Board. The agreement included INDEFINITE PROBATION with terms and conditions.

After reviewing the agreement and taking official notice of its file into consideration the Board moved to ACCEPT the agreement.

Barai/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Aldolfo P. Hernandez, M.D., License No. 01051677A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0013**

Respondent did not appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

Dr. Hernandez's Federal trial is currently set for July 21, 2008. An extension of his Summary Suspension is requested to maintain the suspension through his trial until the next Board meeting.

After having considered the evidence presented and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to EXTEND the SUMMARY SUSPENSION for ninety (90) days from the original expiration date of June 25, 2008.

Huddleston/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Thomas C. Gellersen, M.D., License No. 01027051A, Cause No. 91 MLB 0011**

Respondent appeared in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Petition to Modify Probation scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Thomas McGee, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.,

Candace Backer, ISMA and John Butterworth, M.D., Chairman of Anesthesia at University Hospital were sworn in as witnesses for the Respondent.

After having considered the evidence presented, testimony of the witnesses and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to MODIFY PROBATION as follows:

- The 5 years of practice is reduced to 2 years of practice with supervision; the 2 year period starts at the time of employment.
- An addition of quarterly reports from Supervisor.
- Must maintain quarterly personal appearances for the first year of practice and twice a year for the second year of practice.

Barai/Barot, 5/0/0  
Motion carries

**Thomas Shealy, M.D., License No. 01028513A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0007**

Respondent did appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Final Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

An agreement between the Respondent and the Attorney General's Office was presented to the Board. The agreement included INDEFINITE PROBATION with terms and conditions.

After having reviewed the agreement and taking official notice of its file into consideration the Board moved to ACCEPT the agreement.

Barai/Barot, 6/0/0



Motion carries

**Gabrielle F. Morris, M.D., License No. 01056847A, Cause No. 2006 MLB 0004**

Respondent did appear in person and was represented by Andrew Peacock regarding a Petition to Withdraw the Order of Probation scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Dr. Morris informed the Board that her California license was taken off of probation in March 2008. Her Indiana order states she may request to withdraw the order of probation after her California license has been reinstated fully.

After having considered the evidence presented and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to WITHDRAW the ORDER OF PROBATION.

Barai/Allen, 5/0/0  
Motion carries

**Anton Crepinsek, Jr., M.D., License No. 01036253A, Cause No. 2008 MLB 0006**

Respondent did appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

An agreement between the Respondent and the Attorney General's Office was presented to the Board. The agreement included a FINE of \$250.00.

After reviewing the agreement and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to ACCEPT the agreement.

Barai/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Timothy Pohlman, M.D., License No. 01060790A, Cause No. 2005 MLB 0033**

Respondent did appear in person and was represented by Beth Anne Compton regarding a Petition to Withdraw the Order of Probation scheduled before the

Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Elizabeth Kiefner, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.

Candace Backer, ISMA was sworn in as a witness for the Respondent.

After having considered the evidence presented, testimony of the witness and taking official notice of its file in this matter the Board moved to APPROVE the WITHDRAWAL of PROBATION.

Barai/Allen, 5/0/0  
Motion carries

### **DISCUSSION**

**Public Rule Hearing:** The Board held a public hearing for comments on LSA Document 08-71 amending 844 IAC 2.2 to implement 2007 legislative changes to IC 25-27.5 regarding requirements for prescriptive authority for qualified licensed physician assistants. It also makes other non-substantive changes to 844 IAC 2.2 by updating rule language and clarifying requirements. Amends 844 IAC 2.2-1 to add definitions relating to anesthesia under IC 25-27.5-5-4(f). Amends 844 IAC 2.2-2 to add fee requirements for both prescriptive authority and controlled substance registration applications, and the repeal of 844 IAC 2.2-2-2 through 5.

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No public comments were made.

After discussion the Board moved to ADOPT the rule as it stands.

Barot/Holt, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Consideration of accreditation organizations for purpose of Board approval in regards to 844 IAC 5-5-3 Office Based Procedures:** The Board approved the following organizations for accrediting bodies for the Office Based Procedure rule.

- American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities, Inc. (AAAASF)
- Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc. (AAAHHC)

- Joint Commission (JC)
- Health Facilities Accreditation Program (HFAP)

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Barot/Allen, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Correspondence from Gregory Gergans, M.D.:** Dr. Gergan's license was held in Default by the Board and the Revoked based on action taken by the Illinois Medical Board. The Court in Illinois reversed the decision and based upon the court ruling the Illinois Medical Board reversed their decision of revocation.

He is requesting that the Indiana Medical Board recognize the actions taken by the other states and reconsider his request and set aside the default and have a new hearing on the facts.

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

After discussion the Board moved to provide Dr. Gergan's an opportunity to present his case before the Board.

Barai/Barot, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**Review of Board policy regarding Approved/Disapproved/Questionable foreign schools:** The Medical Licensing Board staff has completed an extensive research effort regarding foreign medical schools that currently appear on the Board's Approved/Disapproved/Questionable list. Based upon this research the following recommendations are presented today for the Board to approve on a short-term basis. Staff recommends the Board establish a committee and engage interested parties as to how a long-term solution through statute and rule could be accomplished. By implementing these steps the staff will have the tools it needs to respond appropriately to applicants and the public regarding foreign medical schools.

**Background:** The Board has historically maintained a list of "approved", "disapproved" and "questionable" foreign medical schools. This list has been passed down year to year and over the course of time information regarding why certain schools were placed on the list has been lost. Maintaining this list has proven to be a challenge without the institutional knowledge as to why a certain school appears on the list. To assist staff and the Board, the items discussed in

this document are proposed for the Board to adopt as appropriate procedures for the Board to follow when reviewing foreign medical schools:

As required by statute, IC 25-22.5-3-1(c) states:

*(c) The applicant shall possess the degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy or its equivalent from a medical school which was approved by the board as of the time the degree was conferred.*

Additionally, 844 IAC 4-4.5-3 states:

*Sec. 3. (a) An approved school of medicine or school of osteopathic medicine is one located within the United States, its possessions, or Canada and is recognized by either:*

*(1) the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, which is jointly sponsored by the American Medical Association (AMA) and the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC); or*  
*(2) the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Bureau of Professional Education.*

*(b) In order to be approved by the board for the purpose of obtaining a license or permit, a school of medicine or school of osteopathic medicine located outside of the United States, its possessions, or Canada must maintain standards equivalent to those adopted by:*

*(1) the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, Functions and Structure of a Medical School, Standards for Accreditation of Medical Education Programs Leading to the M.D. degree, 2001; or*  
*(2) the Bureau of Professional Education of the American Osteopathic Association, Accreditation of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, 2001.*

Currently, staff reviews an application to determine whether or not the school appears on the Board list. If there are still questions regarding the school it is brought to the Board director and the Board. Staff will use resources like the California Medical Board lists to try and gather additional information about the school to assist the director or Board in determining the LCME equivalency as required by rule.

By having schools in a "questionable" status it requires the Board to review these applications on a case by case basis which creates additional confusion about whether or not the school is approved or disapproved and forces the Board to consider the waiver option for these applicants.

**Proposed staff procedures when reviewing applications:**

1. Review the Board's Approved/Disapproved Foreign Medical School list when considering an application that lists a foreign medical school.
2. Review the Medical Board of California International Medical Schools Disapproved and Recognized school lists. California has expended the time,

resources and expense to review the schools placed on these lists and has the credibility within the medical licensing board community. California's standards for foreign medical schools will need to be approved by the Board as equivalent to those of LCME and satisfy the Indiana Administrative Code requirements. If a school appears on CA's disapproved list; they will be disapproved in Indiana. Unless already listed on the Indiana Approved/Disapproved Foreign Medical School list, any school recognized by California will be deemed as approved by the Board if they also meet the requirements of section 3.

3. Review the IMED FAIMER list. The Federation of State Medical Boards recognized the IMED FAIMER list for acceptance of foreign medical schools. IMED FAIMER is associated with the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). IMED FAIMER stands for International Medical Education Director / Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research.

IMED FAIMER provides an accurate and up-to-date resource of information regarding international medical schools that are recognized by the appropriate government agency in the countries where the medical schools are located. A medical school is listed in IMED after FAIMER receives confirmation from the Ministry of Health or other appropriate agency that the medical school is recognized by such group.

1. If a school appears on the IMED FAIMER list and they have a valid indefinitely ECFMG certificate the school will be considered as having evidence towards receiving approval in Indiana.
4. Any application that lists a foreign medical school that is not already addressed by sections 1-3 shall result in the personal appearance by the applicant in which the applicant will be required to provide information to the Board's satisfaction that complies with the requirement of 844 IAC 4-4.5-3(b).

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D., Worthe Holt, Jr., M.D.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE the following actions:

- **Recognize California's medical school standards as LCME equivalent.**
- **Recognize California's list of disapproved medical schools**
- **Recognize California's list of recognized medical schools**
- **Accept staff recommendation for new procedure when reviewing applicant's medical school.**
- **Delete questionable school list**
- **Adopt 2008 Board Approved Foreign Medical School List as recommended by staff**
- **Adopt 2008 Board Disapproved Foreign Medical School List as recommended by staff**

Barai/Allen, 6/0/0  
Motion carries

**In the matter of Elmer Manalo – Responses to Limitations upon Broadcasts:**

Previously the Board requested that the Board Director contact all new media and request that they submit a response to the Limitations upon Boardcasts. The Board received a response from WISHTV.

After discussion the Board stated that the Board will provide the undercover agent witnesses the opportunity to protect their physical identity

1. Screens will be put in place around the undercover agent witnesses.
2. Views of the witnesses will be restricted from the media and public
3. Room should be in recess and cleared before bringing in the undercover agent witnesses.

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The Board requests that this be reduced to writing and be submitted to the Attorney General's Office and all Media for a response within ten (10) days prior to the June 26, 2008 meeting.

Barai/Vennekotter, 5/0/1, with Dr. Holt abstaining  
Motion passes

**Telephonic meetings:** FYI – A telephonic meeting without a quorum in the room may only be conducted if the hearing is for an emergency suspension.

**Resignation of Board Director Michael Rinebold**

The Board recognized Michael Rinebold for his three years of service to the Board. During his tenure the Board accomplished several important initiatives such as:

- The "Provisional License" legislation to provide the Medical Board an additional tool when considering an application for licensure.
- Initiated paperless meetings for the Medical Board, eliminating the need for thousands of copies per year resulting in significant savings to Indiana taxpayers.
- Improved significantly the filing times of Medical Board's final orders to comply with Indiana Code.
- Increased staff's efficiency during peak renewal period by increasing online renewals by physicians through educational efforts from 53% in 2005 to 85% in 2007.

- Assisted with the Agency's License Litigation web database to provide web access to the public when searching for information concerning licensees that have had administrative action before their respective boards and committees.
- New rules regarding Office Based Procedures and changes to the requirements for passing the USMLE
- Reducing the amount of time to dispose of administrative actions before the Board
- Improved compliance with reporting requirements of adverse actions issued by the Board to the National Practitioner Databank.
- Updating the Board's Foreign Medical School list so that applicants, employers and the public are clear as to which schools are approved and not approved.
- Elected as the Administrators In Medicine Central Region Representative and to the Board of Directors.

Mr. Rinebold has accepted the position with the Indiana State Medical Association as their Director of Government Relations beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **REVIEW OF INITIAL APPLICATIONS**

Participating Board Members: Stephen Huddleston, J.D., Robert Allen, M.D., Donald Vennekotter, M.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Navin Barot, M.D.,

The Board reviewed the positive response information on the following applicants and approved them for issuance: Barai/Vennekotter, 5/0/0

Mary Baker, M.D.  
Joseph Baraga, M.D.  
Donna Brister, D.O.  
Jansen Diener, M.D.  
Sumit Duggal, M.D.  
Matthew Hill, D.O.  
Jerome Koleski, M.D.  
Engilberto Ramos, M.D.

Matthew Baldwin, M.D.  
Cynthia Bodkin, M.D.  
Matthew Campbell, M.D.  
John Draus, Jr., M.D.  
Thomas Genese, M.D.  
Margaret Hollar, D.O.  
Mark Veldman, M.D.

The Board reviewed the positive response information on the following applicants and requested that they personally appear before the Board: Huddleston/Barot, 5/0/0

Jose Alvarez, M.D.  
Walter McDonald, M.D.  
Oscar Sanders, M.D.

Brian Babbin, M.D.  
Alton Parker, III, M.D.

The Board reviewed the positive response information on the following applicants and requested additional information: Huddleston/Barai, 5/0/0

Christopher Kauffman, M.D. – Approved pending a favorable current addictionology evaluation by a Board Certified Addictionologist.

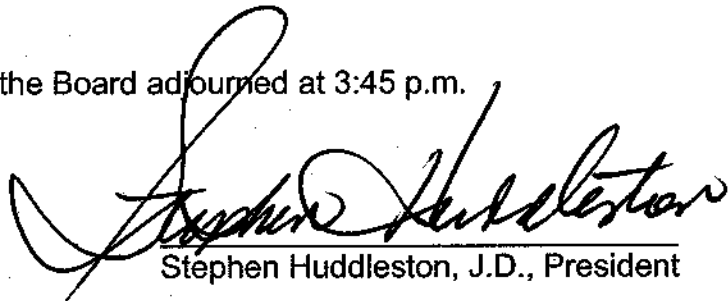
Riley Lloyd, M.D. – Approved pending proof from the Hospital of the dismissal. If unable to submit proof then he will be scheduled for a personal appearance.

The Board reviewed the following Physician Assistant Prescriptive Authority applications and approved for issuance of prescriptive authority:  
Barai/Vennekotter, 5/0/0

Mandy Caban, 10000881A  
Janelle Reklau, Initial app  
Jeanne Vrabel, 10000899A  
Jeremiah Lewis, 10000791A  
Cari Richmond, 10000732A  
Christopher Dilger, 10000653A  
Joseph Williamson, 10000604A

Joseph Hostetter, 10000403A  
Judith Ripperger, 10000347A  
Victoria Maassel, 10000343A  
Lisa Hertel, 10000872A  
Stacy Forst, 10000517A  
Alexander Melnikov, 10000507A

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.



Stephen Huddleston, J.D., President